

7 January 1987

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, FBIS

FROM : Chief, Vienna Bureau

THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group

SUBJECT : Monthly Report - Austria Bureau - December 1986

I. GENERAL

A. As severe budgetary problems continue to plague embassies worldwide, and especially European embassies, Austria Bureau is beginning to feel the effects of deteriorating support from Amemb Vienna. Every indication is that embassy services will continue to deteriorate, and this will inevitably change the way the bureau does business and impact adversely on our own budget.

B. Chief Monitor [ ] retired on 31 December after more than 35 years with FBIS. A formal dinner party was given in his honor at one of Vienna's better restaurants on the 17th, and a reception was held at the bureau on 30 December at which time a letter from the Director was read and a 19th Century print of his favorite city -- Venice -- was given him from the office staff.

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II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. AFP Strike: a 7-day strike, from 11 to 17 December, left this and other AFP coverage bureaus without AFP service. While we were able to fill the gap somewhat from Vienna's German-language Teletext service, editors found the absence of this prolific news source to be a relief during what turned out to be a rather busy month.

2. With the normal end-of-year East European party meetings on their economic plans, the bureau's wirefiled publishable wordage figure -- 834,860 -- fell short of the previous record set in October 1986 by a mere 100 words. If AFP service had not been interrupted in mid-month, a new record would undoubtedly have been set.

3. VLAN wordage figures fell a bit from those of November, from 350,080 to 319,180. Nevertheless, VLAN wordage accounted for 38 percent of the bureau's total output.

4. Following extensive exchanges with ADD, the bureau removed all stub connectors from PC's on its VLAN in an effort to eliminate problems which had caused several PC's to 'hang up' when trying to communicate with VLAN file servers. With the removal operation being completed on 16 December, all problems disappeared. The system has functioned quite well since then.

#### B. Communications

1. With the arrival of the necessary modems, another step was taken completion of the bureau's new 300 baud communications circuit during the month. Nevertheless, progress toward the activation of the new circuit remains slow, for a variety of reasons. 1) the modems to be used required that the present two-wire bureau to embassy link be upgraded to a four-wire link, a necessity of which we were unaware until the modems arrived; 2) the commo switch [ ] which is to handle our material as it moves to/from Croughton, has either lost or never received the software package necessary to reprogram its computer to accept the bureau's traffic. [ ] story about the reprogramming software keeps changing, moving back and forth between the lost and not received explanations as to why it has not reprogrammed its computer. There has been no word as of 31 December regarding an estimated reprogramming date.

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2. The bureau was advised on 22 December that the modems necessary for the upgrade of the VCVC backup communications line to 150 baud had been pouched. Installation of the modems and activation of the upgraded line must await the February visit of the BBC engineer who will be modifying the line.

3. Outages on the bureau's existing 75 baud State circuit totaled 112 hours in December, requiring at one point that London Bureau send its traffic destined for AU to the bureau using the VCVC line. This enabled the bureau to avoid processing duplication and to function more or less normally.

### III. ADMINISTRATION

Inspired by the excellent job the Headquarters Administrative Staff is doing in its revision of FBIS Notices, Austria Bureau is undertaking a review of its notices. The two following examples from the mid-fifties were left unaltered, however, as we did not see how they could be improved upon:

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Bureau employees will continue to enjoy a morning and afternoon tea time as previously. The fact that the entire staff is spread out considerably more than in the Allianz Building makes necessary some changes both in schedule and practices.

Each day, Monday through Friday, the clerk-teletypist responsible for the 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. messenger runs will stop by the kitchen on her way upstairs and put a large pot full of water on to boil. After making her upstairs pickups, she will stop back by the kitchen and finish making the tea. This ends her responsibility.

Each employee will then be able to go to the kitchen between 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. and between 3 p.m. and 4 p.m. to get tea. Each employee is responsible for rinsing his or her cup and plate.

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The Bureau Chief regrets that it has become known, only now, to the American staff of the Bureau that a number of employees have been taking very frequent baths in the 3rd floor bathroom without asking prior permission. Although a minor affair, failure to ask permission where permission is required is apt to jeopardize the trust that is placed in all Bureau employees.

There also seems to be some questions as to whether all baths were taken on the individual's own time.

There is no objection to an employee's using the 3rd floor bathroom facilities for bath purposes as long as all such baths are taken before or after the normal working shift. Except in the most unusual circumstances, three baths within the Monday-Friday period should be sufficient.

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Chief, Austrian Bureau

cc: Chief, FBIS London Bureau

Attachments:

Production Report  
Staff Personnel Report  
Non-Staff Personnel Report

## Austrian Bureau Production Report for December 1986

## I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	834,860
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	21,940
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	1,383

	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:	12,275	15,015	322.91
(minutes or issues per week)	min.	min.	issues
III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:			
(publishable words per month)			

## ALBANIA

Tirana Domestic Service in			
Albanian	1,550		
Tirana ATA in			
English		16,250	
Tirana BASHKIMI in			
Albanian			1,070
Tirana DRITA in			
Albanian			2,680
Tirana PUNA in			
Albanian			0
Tirana RRUGA E PARTISE in			
Albanian			0
Tirana ZERI I POPULLIT in			
Albanian			3,550
Tirana ZERI I RINISE in			
Albanian			0

## AUSTRIA

Vienna Domestic Service in			
German	3,030		
Vienna ORF TELETEXT in			
German	1,150		
Vienna Television Service in			
German	1,150		
Vienna ARBEITER ZEITUNG in			
German			1,070
Vienna BASTA in			
German			0
Vienna DIE PRESSE in			
German			5,430
Vienna FALTER in			
German			0

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Vienna KURIER in German			1,610
Vienna NEUE KRONEN ZEITUNG in German			310
Vienna PROFIL in German			0
Vienna VOLKSSTIMME in German			4,170
Vienna WIENER ZEITUNG in German			3,470
 BULGARIA			
Sofia Domestic Service in Bulgarian	9,950		
Sofia BTA in English		27,500	
Sofia ANTENI in Bulgarian			0
Sofia LITERATUREN FRONT in Bulgarian			0
Sofia NARODNA ARMIYA in Bulgarian			0
Sofia NARODNA MLADZHZH in Bulgarian			0
Sofia NOVO VREME in Bulgarian			0
Sofia OTECHESTVEN FRONT in Bulgarian			5,180
Sofia POGLED in Bulgarian			670
Sofia RABOTNICHESKO DELO in Bulgarian			47,570
Sofia TRUD in Bulgarian			5,690
Sofia ZEMEDEL'SKO ZNAME in Bulgarian			1,630
 CHINA			
Beijing International Service in Albanian	0		
Beijing International Service in Serbo-Croatian	0		
 CZECHOSLOVAKIA			
Prague Television Service in Czech and Slovak	480		
Prague LIDOVA DEMOKRACIE in Czech			290

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Prague MLADA FRONTA in Czech			1,240
Prague NOVA MYSL in Czech			870
Prague PRACE in Czech			4,190
Prague RUDE PRAVO in Czech			73,760
Prague TRIBUNA in Czech			1,920
Prague VECERNI PRAHA in Czech			280
Prague ZEMEDELSKE NOVINY in Czech			1,240
Bratislava PRAVDA in Slovak			37,530
Bratislava ROLNICKE NOVINY in Slovak			0
Bratislava SMENA in Slovak			800
Bratislava VECERNIK in Slovak			1,010
FRANCE			
Paris AFP in English		38,760	
GDR			
East Berlin BERLINER ZEITUNG in German			1,920
East Berlin DER MORGEN in German			180
East Berlin EINHEIT in German			820
East Berlin HORIZONT in German			0
East Berlin NATIONAL ZEITUNG in German			550
East Berlin NEUE ZEIT in German			590
East Berlin NEUES DEUTSCHLAND in German			124,820
HUNGARY			
Budapest Television Service in Hungarian		0	
Budapest MAGYAR HIRLAP in Hungarian			5,700

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Budapest MAGYAR NEMZET in Hungarian			1,140
Budapest MAGYARORSZAG in Hungarian			0
Budapest NEPSZABADSAG in Hungarian			33,470
Budapest NEPSZAVA in Hungarian			2,830
Budapest PARTELET in Hungarian			490
Budapest TARSADALMI SZEMLE in Hungarian			0
ITALY			
Rome ANSA in English		19,390	
POLAND			
Paris ZNAKI CZASU in Polish			2,370
Warsaw KULTURA in Polish			690
Warsaw NOWE DROGI in Polish			1,490
Warsaw POLITYKA in Polish			3,580
Warsaw PRZEGLAD KATOLICKI in Polish			590
Warsaw RZECZPOSPOLITA in Polish			20,510
Warsaw RZECZYWISTOC in Polish			680
Warsaw SLOWO POWSZECHNE in Polish			4,530
Warsaw SZTANDAR MLODYCH in Polish			1,450
Warsaw TRYBUNA LUDU in Polish			59,920
Warsaw ZOLNIERZ WOLNOSCI in Polish			3,010
Warsaw ZYCIE PARTII in Polish			3,070
Warsaw ZYCIE WARSZAWY in Polish			6,340
Krakow TYGODNIK POWSZECHNY in Polish			3,220
ROMANIA			
Bucharest Domestic Service in Romanian		1,530	

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Bucharest AGERPRES in English		30,650	
Bucharest AGERPRES in French		0	
Bucharest ERA SOCIALISTA in Romanian			660
Bucharest LUMEA in Romanian			0
Bucharest ROMANIA LIBERA in Romanian			680
Bucharest SCINTEIA in Romanian			46,950
USSR			
Moscow in Albanian to Albania	0		
Moscow in Bulgarian to Bulgaria	0		
Moscow in Macedonian to Yugoslavia	0		
Moscow in Romanian to Romania	0		
Moscow in Slovene to Yugoslavia	0		
Moscow ISTORIYA SSSR in Russian			0
Moscow KOMMUNIST VOORUZHENNYKH SIL in Russian			0
Moscow KOMMUNIST in Russian			34,800
Moscow MEZHDUNARODNAYA ZHIZN in Russian			7,240
Moscow MIROVAYA EKONOMIKA I MEZHDUNARODNYYE OTNOSHENIYA in Russian			17,710
Moscow MOSKOVSKAYA PRAVDA in Russian			0
Moscow OBSHCHESTVENNYYE NAUKI in Russian			0
Moscow PARTIYNAYA ZHIZN in Russian			0
Moscow PLANOVOYE KHOZYAYSTVO in Russian			0
Moscow POLITICHESKOYE SAMOOBRAZOVANIYE in Russian			0
Moscow PROBLEMY DALNEGO VOSTOKA in Russian			0
Moscow PROBLEMY MIRA I SOTSIALIZMA in Russian			0



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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Moscow RABOCHIY KLAS I SOVREMENNY			
MIR in			
Russian			0
Moscow SOTSIOLOGICHESKIYE			
ISSLEDOVANIYA in			
Russian			0
Moscow SSHA: EKONOMIKA, POLITIKA,			
IDEOLOGIYA in			
Russian			0
Moscow VOPROSY EKONOMIKI in			
Russian			0
Moscow VOPROSY FILOSOFII in			
Russian			0
Moscow VOPROSY ISTORII KPSS in			
Russian			8,890
Moscow VOPROSY ISTORII in			
Russian			0
Moscow VOYENNO-ISTORICHESKIY			
ZHURNAL in			
Russian			0
Moscow ZHURNALIST in			
Russian			0
Kiev PRAVDA UKRAINY in			
Russian			18,880
Kiev RADYANSKA UKRAINA in			
Ukrainian			2,170
YUGOSLAVIA			
Belgrade Domestic Service in			
Serbo-Croatian	9,570		
Pristina Domestic Service in			
Albanian	0		
Pristina Domestic Service in			
Serbo-Croatian	380		
Belgrade Television Service in			
Serbo-Croatian	0		
Belgrade TANJUG DOMESTIC SERVICE in			
Serbo-Croatian		0	
Belgrade TANJUG in			
English		520	
Belgrade BORBA in			
Serbo-Croatian			20,440
Belgrade KOMUNIST in			
Serbo-Croatian			0
Belgrade NARODNA ARMIJA in			
Serbo-Croatian			7,480
Belgrade NIN in			
Serbo-Croatian			0
Belgrade POLITIKA in			
Serbo-Croatian			11,440

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Belgrade SOCIALIZAM in Serbo-Croatian			0
Ljubljana DELO in Slovene			0
Novi Sad DNEVNIK in Serbo-Croatian			0
Pristina RILINDJA in Albanian			3,410
Sarajevo OSLOBODJENJE in Serbo-Croatian			0
Skopje NOVA MAKEDONIJA in Macedonian			210
Titograd POBJEDA in Serbo-Croatian			0
Zagreb DANAS in Serbo-Croatian			0
Zagreb VJESNIK in Serbo-Croatian			850